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The Mobil Producing Co. of Billings has presented an award of \$800 to the Montana State University Geology Dept., according to the company's chief geologist, K. A. Gorton.

Half of the gift will provide a scholarship for a senior or a graduate student in geology. The geology faculty will select the recipient.

The other \$400 will be used by the department for expenses for which other funds are not available, according to Dr. Fred S. Honkala, department chairman. The money will enable staff members to attend professional meetings, provide for visiting lecturers, and make possible purchase of items of equipment that could not be bought otherwise, he said.

This is the fifth time the Billings firm has given the cash award to the MSU Geology Dept., Dr. Honkala noted. The company is the exploratory and producing affiliate of the Socony Mobil Oil Co. of Great Falls.

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